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INDIANA'S HOG INVENTORY UP 3 PERCENT

According to the Indiana Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Indiana producers had a total inventory of 3.65 million hogs and pigs on December 1, 2009, up 3 percent from a year earlier. Market hogs, at 3.37 million head, were 3 percent above last year. Breeding inventory, at 280,000 head, was unchanged from last year. Sows farrowed totaled 135,000 during the September - November 2009 quarter, down 4 percent from the same period a year earlier. Pig crop, at 1.29 million head, increased slightly while the litter rate set a record high 9.55, up 4 percent from a year ago. Indiana producers intend to farrow 140,000 sows during both the December 2009 - February 2010 period, and the March - May 2010 period. If realized, farrowings during the December 2009 - February 2010 quarter would be unchanged and farrowings during the March - May 2010 quarter would be up 5,000 (4 percent) from the previous year.

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2009 was 65.8 million head. This was down 2 percent from both December 1, 2008 and September 1, 2009. Breeding inventory, at 5.85 million head, was down 3 percent from last year and down slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 60.0 million head, was down 2 percent from both last year and last quarter. The September - November 2009 U.S. pig crop at 28.8 million head, was up slightly from 2008 but down 2 percent from 2007. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.97 million head, down 2 percent from 2008 and down 6 percent from 2007. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 51 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.70 for the September - November 2009 period, compared to 9.50 pigs last year. The litter rate equaled the record for pigs saved per litter during the June-August 2009 period. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.40 for operations with 1-99 hogs to 9.80 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.95 million sows farrow during the December 2009 - February 2010 quarter, down 2 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2009, and down 4 percent from 2008. Intended farrowings for March - May 2010, at 2.94 million sows, are down 3 percent from 2009 and down 4 percent from 2008.

DECEMBER 1 HOGS AND PIGS
INDIANA AND UNITED STATES, 2008-2010 ^{1/}

Item	Indiana					United States				
	2008	2009	2010 <u>2/</u>	% of Prev. Year		2008	2009	2010 <u>2/</u>	% of Prev. Year	
				09/08	10/09				09/08	10/09
	<u>1,000 Head</u>	<u>Percent</u>			<u>1,000 Head</u>	<u>Percent</u>				
Hogs and Pigs, Dec. 1	3,550	3,650		103		67,148	65,807		98	
Breeding Hogs	280	280		100		6,062	5,850		97	
Market Hogs	3,270	3,370		103		61,087	59,957		98	
Under 60 Pounds	1,090	1,100		101		19,428	19,085		98	
60-119 Pounds	960	1,000		104		17,396	17,062		98	
120-179 Pounds	610	640		105		12,731	12,529		98	
180 Pounds and over	610	630		103		11,533	11,282		98	
Farrowing, Sept - Nov										
Sows Farrowing	140	135		96		3,028	2,974		98	
Pigs Per Litter	9.20	9.55		104		9.50	9.70		102	
Pig Crop <u>3/</u>	1,288	1,289		100		28,771	28,833		100	
Sows Farrowing										
December <u>4/</u> - May	295	275	280	93	102	6,123	6,029	5,890	98	98
December <u>4/</u> - February	150	140	140	93	100	3,071	3,011	2,954	98	98
March - May	145	135	140	93	104	3,052	3,018	2,935	99	97

^{1/} Data may not add due to rounding.

^{2/} Intentions.

^{3/} Number of pigs born September through November that were on hand December 1 or had been sold.

^{4/} December of preceding year.